

**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Application No. | : | 10/800,261             | Confirmation No. 9114  |
| Applicants      | : | Yasuhiko UCHIDA et al. |                        |
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| Examiner        | : | C. Dickerson           |                        |
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| Customer No.    | : | 25920                  |                        |

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in response to the Final Office Action dated May 23, 2008, and in conjunction with the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) being filed concurrently herewith. Please amend this application as follows:

The **Amendments to the Claims** made herein are reflected in the **Listing of Claims**, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Applicants' **Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.